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Sullivan Chair to tackle health care crisis

Taylor Goodson
Staff Reporter

Less than a year ago, Regis University reinvigorated the previously established John J. Sullivan Endowed Chair for Free Enterprise. The mission of the Sullivan Chair is to create a public sphere where businesses, non-profit organizations, students, and citizens can discuss and debate the theories of a free enterprise system.

This year's series is entitled, "House of Cards: The Looming Health Care Crisis," and aims to facilitate discussion relating health care issues and the question, "how we ought to live?" According to Sullivan Professor, Janet Evans, "We're trying to put a face on those 46 million Americans without health care. It could be the person cutting your hair, or the person serving you a beer at the bar; it could be anyone, and most likely, it could be someone in your family."

This November, three dates are set up for discussion on the healthcare issue. The first and main event will be on Tuesday, November 1, and will be held at the Colorado Convention Center. It is aimed primarily for small business owners and Human Resource officers. The key speaker will be Jack Stack, the founder and CEO of SRC Holdings Corporation, as well as writer of a best-selling book, "The Great Game of Business," and "A Stake in the Outcome." He was named the 1991 National Entrepreneur of the year. Stack will be followed by a number of other notable speakers.

The event will also be supplemented by two on-campus healthcare forums planned for November 4 and 5. On Friday, Nov. 4, a roundtable discussion on the impact of rising health care costs on the economy will take place in Main Hall, Room 333 from 4-6 p.m. The event also includes a wine and cheese reception in honor of the late Dr. John Muth, Regis College Professor of Economics.

November 5, several events will

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Men's and Women's soccer to play pivotal games versus Metro State

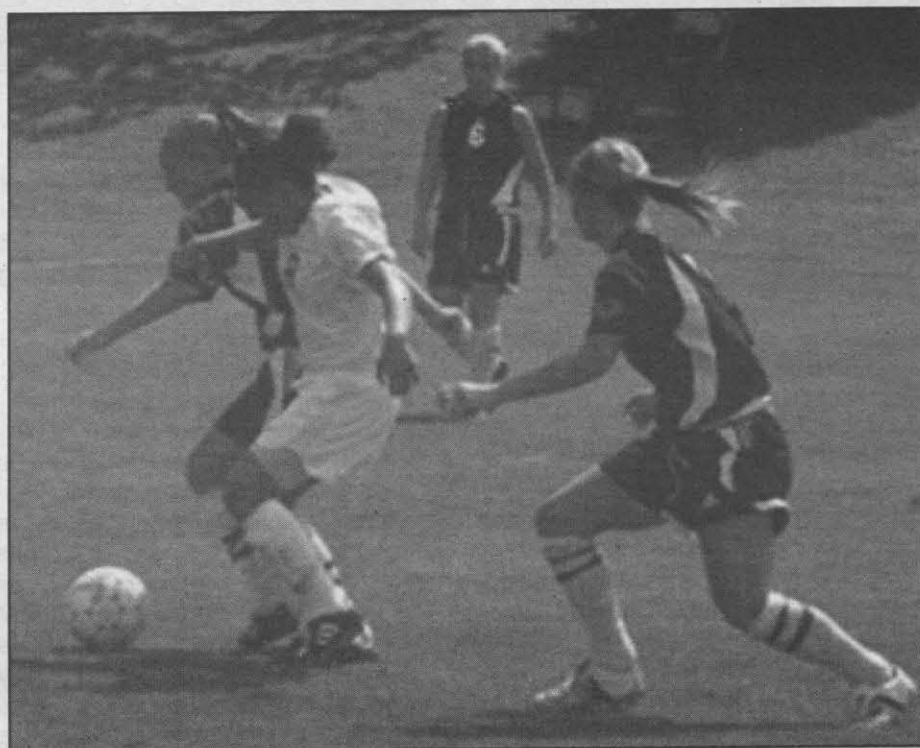


Photo by Graham Hunt

Regis midfielder CarrieAnna Cordova attempts to invigorate an offensive scoring opportunity against the University of Central Oklahoma September 4. The men's team faces a must win situation against the Metro State at 1 p.m. on Wednesday. Later that day, the Women's Soccer team will try to snap a nine game losing streak against conference leader Metro State.

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Annual Safe Trick-or-Treat to scare up good time

Andrea Silva
Senior Reporter

On Monday, October 31, Regis will host tons of little ghosts, witches, ballerinas, and supermen, just to name a few of the creatures that will soon inhabit campus. Seeing all of these miniature-costumed characters is all just part of the Halloween fun that Regis organizes annually, through the Safe Trick-or-Treat festivities.

This year, Regis has once again invited parents of children in the surrounding community to bring their kids dressed up and decked out for trick-or-treating, face painting, and games. The trick-or-treating takes place in every building on campus. Each department can choose whether or not to hand out candy. A ghost decoration on the department's door signifies whether or not it is participating.

Student Activities special events intern JoAnn Melendez is in charge of organizing this year's activities.

According to Melendez, this Halloween's Safe Trick-or-Treat is planned to be bigger and better, boasting more fun and games than ever before. In addition to trick-or-treating, there will be a costume contest, carnival stations, face painting, airbrush tattoos, and a jumping castle.

Since parents must heed certain Halloween precautions to protect their young ones, Melendez believes that Regis' Halloween events provide an important service to the community. "We don't want kids out trick-or-treating in neighborhoods that they don't know just to get candy. We put our trick or treat on earlier, so the kids don't have to be out in the dark, and Regis is a safe environment where they know that the candy isn't going to be contaminated," says Melendez.

Laura Padgett is an Administrative

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Assistant for the Office of Academic

Zero Tolerance campaign targets students and administration

Aimee Pote
Contributing Reporter

Seniors Brittney Mathews and Adrian Manriquez are two of the leaders of the Zero Tolerance for Intolerance campaign that began two weeks ago, after incidents of intolerance sprung up on campus.

The main idea of the Zero Tolerance campaign came after a student expressed concern about a bulletin board in West Hall that featured gay coming out stories.

The bulletin board was created by an RA in West Hall to coincide with National Coming Out Day, on October 11. According to Sandra Mitchell, Associate to the Provost for Diversity, "A student did not like the subject and sent emails to staff members; [it] is something that could be perceived as a threat. It is being investigated."

A new bulletin board was made with the help of University Ministry to help incorporate Catholic teachings on tolerance. "The supplemental materials posted were a document from the U.S. Catholic Bishops called 'Always our Children,'" says Mitchell.

Mathews says that her involvement in the campaign started because of a personal situation in which a friend of hers was involved. "It happens every year," Mathews says, and this year she chose to take action. Manriquez is an ally of the Gay Straight Alliance and was asked to help because of his organizing experience. Both students are Sociology majors.

The main purpose of Zero Tolerance is to raise awareness of human rights issues. Part of what Mathews is trying to do is have a hate crimes policy implemented at Regis. This action is still in the nascent phase.

The Zero Tolerance campaign seeks to operate on two levels: first, by interacting with Administration to discuss how the university can change, and second by reaching Regis students. Most visibly, Mathews and her fellow leaders have handed out pink armbands to wear in support of the inclusiveness of all people.

The idea of the pink armband

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Referenda C and D take center stage

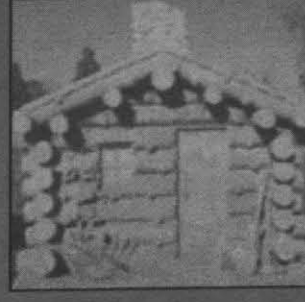
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comes from the Nazi regime. Hitler used the symbol of the pink triangle to single out certain "undesirables" in society. "We wear the pink armbands with a black triangle both in remembrance of those horrible atrocities toward all people and in solidarity with those currently being singled out," says Mathews. Zero Tolerance passes out this information on a flyer alongside the armbands.

Though the university had planned a diversity dialogue to coincide with the week of National Coming Out Day and issues of homosexuality, the incidents that occurred on campus were not specifically discussed at the dialogue.

National Coming Out Day began on October 11, 1988. According to hrc.org (Human Rights Campaign Foundation), National Coming Out Day began to remember the March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights that took place on October 11, 1987.

These incidents and the Zero Tolerance for Intolerance campaign also come at a particularly delicate time of remembrance. October marks the seventh anniversary of the Matthew Shepard murders in Laramie, WY. Shepard was a student at the University of Wyoming who was murdered for being gay.



Photo courtesy of Beth Parish

Janet Evans garners support for the John J. Sullivan Endowed Chair for Free Enterprise in Sen. Ken Salazar's office.

Sullivan Chair from front page

will take place on-campus. A panel of speakers will address "Consumer Issues Related to Health Care Costs and Access" from the public perspective in the ALC's Mountain View Room from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Later that day, state legislators and health care providers will touch on the private perspective through several roundtable discussions in the Science Amphitheater from 1-3:30 p.m.

The Sullivan Chair is headed by Janet Evans, Sullivan Professor, and Beth Parish, program manager. One of the top priorities of the Chair is to focus on a difficult and interesting topic concerning free enterprise every 12-18 months. The Sullivan Chair aims to give a voice to underrepresented groups, as well as create a space for people with different backgrounds to talk. Evans said, "The goal of the Chair is to create a free enterprise system with a social conscience, be a neutral facilitator, and lastly, be a moderator for an ongoing conversation."

The rising cost of health care is an issue that the Sullivan Chair found worthy of public dialogue and ongoing conversation. Today, 46 million people in the United States are uninsured and millions more are underinsured. Evans gives an example. "Starbucks, for example, a company whose primary goal is to sell coffee, is paying more for healthcare for their employees, than they are for coffee."

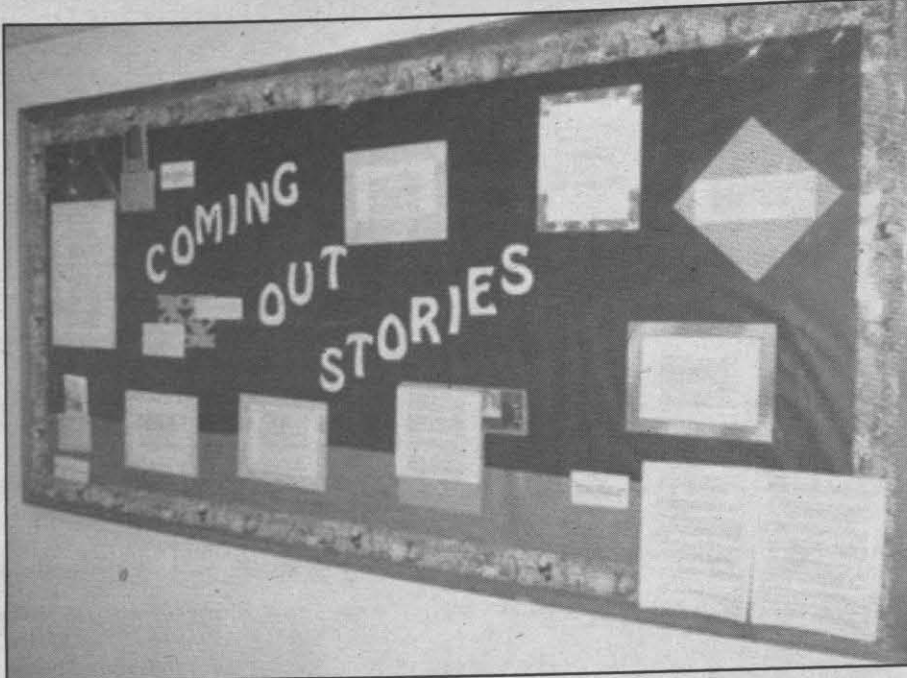


Photo by Jenn Ledford

This bulletin board in West Hall has become the subject of debate recently. It created by an RA in West Hall to coincide with National Coming Out Day, on October 11. According to Sandra Mitchell, Associate to the Provost for Diversity, "A student did not like the subject and sent emails to staff members; [it] is something that could be perceived as a threat. It is being investigated."

Dialogue explores sensitive GLBT issues

Jenn Ledford
Contributing Reporter

Over 40 students, faculty and staff attended Regis' second Diversity Dialogue of this year entitled, "Homosexuality, the Church, Regis and Religion: Discussing Difficult Issues" on Wednesday, October 12 in the Mountain View Room of the ALC.

Sandra Mitchell, associate to the Provost for Diversity and moderator of the discussion, said the purpose of any dialogue is not to persuade, but to increase people's understanding of an issue.

This particular dialogue attracted participants who associated with, supported, questioned, or wanted to learn about the religious issues surrounding the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) community.

Topics discussed ranged from personal comfort to political tolerance of GLBT issues. Although most participants agreed that Regis is not a very accepting community of the GLBT community, many veterans felt that Regis has become much more accepting over the years.

Some participants said, "not everyone's accepting or tolerant of diversity [here]," and feel that "we have a 'don't ask, don't tell' mentality," at Regis.

"People's everyday vernacular really bothers me," said Junior and Resident Assistant Emily Augsburger. The sociology major expressed that because we are a Catholic, Jesuit institution, she would expect values of acceptance and understanding to play into the attitudes on campus in regards to this type of diversity.

Many participants expressed their uncertainty of Regis' tolerance of diversity of sexual orientation not realizing that the Regis University diversity statement specifically states, "Age, gender, race/ethnicity, class, disability, sexual orientation, religion, and other human differences contribute to the richness and vitality of our living

community."

Even though Regis claims to be accepting of the GLBT community, dialogue participants still questioned the institution's support structure for this belief. Additionally, they also felt that Regis has not deliberately stated that the institution accepts and supports the GLBT community. "In politically correct terms we are accepting, but as an institution and a student body we are not," said Augsburger.

Melissa Nix, co-coordinator of Service Learning, said, "Regis can't not take a stand due to the political climate of today."

Augsburger added, "If someone bashed someone on a religious issue [at Regis] it would be taken much more seriously, but gay issues are still controversial."

Some contributors challenged Regis' message of accepting and promoting diversity when the institution provides spousal, but not partner, benefits for employees. "If the university does that, does that send a message of support?" asked one participant.

The dialogue also discussed societal pressure on parents and supporters of the GLBT community. Many felt that since parents feel they are "blamed" for their child's sexual orientation, they feel grief, anger, and fear, but mostly, "they are scared for you," said one participant.

Another contributor said that as a supporter, she sometimes wondered if she was being judged or labeled by outsiders because of the political controversy and lack of acceptance of the GLBT community.

"I think the biggest problem is that people are scared," said Augsburger.

"It was just a one-time, two hour dialogue, but I hope it doesn't stop there," said Nix.

To read the University's Diversity Statement, see <http://www.Regis.edu>. Then go to "About Regis" and "Diversity".

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Developing Center seeks to preserve memories to better understand past

Alyse Warner
Staff Reporter

Main Hall Room 307 houses something that is unique to Regis. Since its official inauguration in 2004, Regis has been home to a very special archive known as the Center for the Study of War Experience. This archive focuses on artifacts, memorabilia, diaries, memoirs, and photographs primarily from World War II. The center is also home to more than 300 hours of videotaped oral interviews with World War II veterans. It represents a huge repository of important artifacts about the war and the people who survived it, that is available for all students and staff to use. The power of this archive lies in the ability of keeping alive the stories of those who survived through newspapers, military publications, and original documents.

The idea for the archive sprang from the junior seminar class on WWII taught by Dr. Dan Clayton. Clayton now acts as Co-Director of the Center alongside Rick Crandall, Program Director KEZW Radio.

The collection of artifacts and memorabilia began growing in 1995, and continues to expand today. A part of the main purpose of the center is, according to center literature, "to preserve the memories of war veterans and thus bring to light what ordinary people do during war." As well as being an excellent source of information on WWII, the Center also hosts a weekly speaker series as part of the acclaimed Junior Seminar, co-spon-

sored by KEZW 1430 AM during the spring semester. The series allows members of the Regis community to hear from members of "The Greatest Generation" who survived one of the most difficult times in American history. The series is open to the public, and is entitled "Remembering World War II: Stories from Wartime."

Plans for the future of the Center include, a continual expansion of the Center's collection and activities to include the Korean and Vietnam Wars as well. There are also hopes for the creation of a web-page to expand access to the archive beyond the Regis campus, so that students worldwide can use it as a resource.

Currently, the Center is in the middle of a major fund raising campaign to help support this great research facility on campus. Look for exhibits of the Center's collection in a new display case, located on the third floor of Main Hall, next to Room 307.

The center is sponsoring the World War Two Era Big Band Dance on Saturday, November 5. All Regis students are allowed in at no charge with their Regis I.D. All proceeds of the event will benefit the Center for the Study of War Experience.

On Saturday, November 5, the Student Center will be transported back in time to celebrate the culture and music of the 1940s. The World War Two Era Big Band Dance from 7-9 p.m., is sponsored by the Center for the Study of War Experience

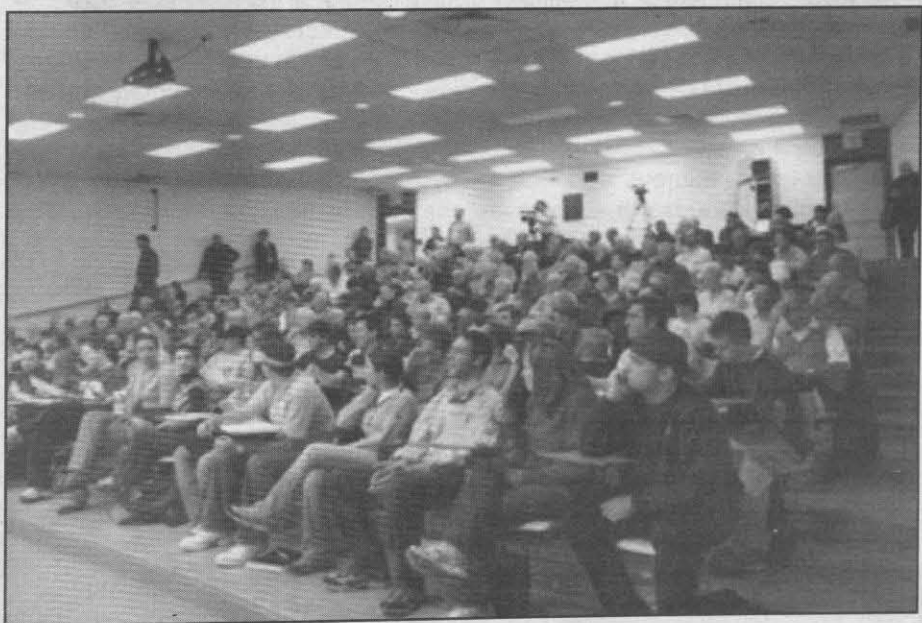


Photo by Graham Hunt

Students and members of the community sit in a packed Science Amphitheater during one of the spring 2005 Junior Seminars to listen to World War Two veterans describe their experiences. This seminar was the catalyst for the Regis Center for the Study of War Experience.

Trick or Treat from front page

Assistant for the Office of Academic Grants in Main Hall whose department participated in Safe Trick-or-Treat last year. Though she doesn't personally celebrate Halloween, Padgett really enjoyed seeing all of the children and their parents bustling about in their creative outfits. She thinks that Regis' Safe Trick-or-Treat is an "outreach" to the community because "it opens Regis up in a completely different way to people" by showing that we are "not just a closed campus."

Melendez explained that students are welcome to join in on the fun as well. Residents of the Townhouses

can choose to hand out candy to the trick-or-treaters, though they have to buy their own candy.

Jill Simons, a senior who lives in the Townhouses, handed out candy when she lived in the Townhouses last year. Simons had fun taking part in the event: "I really enjoyed seeing all of the kids enjoying themselves, and seeing them excited," she said.

The festivities will be underway from 3-5pm on Halloween. According to Melendez, student clubs and organizations can fulfill service learning hours through volunteering for Safe Trick-or-Treat. For more information on how to participate, call x3505.

Kairos retreat aims to enhance student spirituality

Jillian Deganhart
Staff Reporter

Anyone walking around campus over the last few weeks has likely heard the word "Kairos." Kairos is a spiritual retreat for students to come together and learn about themselves and their relationship with God. The Greek word, Kairos, means "God's Time." Opposite of the word Chronos, meaning a specific timely order, Kairos means "no time," and "every moment all in one."

Bridget McLaughlin, co-rector of the Kairos 14 retreat, says that it is open to students of all faith denominations. The Kairos retreat is a time for reflection upon issues of spirituality and self-exploration. Sophomore R.J. McFadden, a leader of Kairos 14, says that it is an experience in which people can come to terms with what is happening in one's life, and learn "what you can do for tomorrow."

Held November 4-6, and again in the spring, this is an excellent time to get away after mid-terms, and reflect on what is happening in one's life. Kairos is a three-day getaway at the High Peaks Camp, near Estes Park, where students can meet others also seeking God's presence in their life. At the end

of the three days, participants will be challenged to live the Kairos spirit, "in all interactions in everyday life."

Everyone who attends this retreat makes a promise to keep his or her experience confidential in order to create a safe environment, one where people attending the retreat will feel comfortable to share about themselves. McLaughlin also says, "It's all about getting to know yourself on a deeper level, and getting to know others."

If students are interested in attending this retreat, students may sign up in University Ministry, located on the second floor of the Student Center Room 200. The deadline is Friday, October 28. There is a \$60 fee, but need based scholarships are available.

Although the guiding theme is religious, it is also an opportunity for people of all faiths to escape from the everyday stress of college life. If students feel intrigued to find a deeper, more meaningful connection to life and others, they can sign up to attend. As Kairos states, "It's about this moment, and every moment from this point on."

Sabeel seeks peace in Holy Land

Jaqueline Kharouf
Staff Reporter

The Sabeel Conference, "Ending the Silence: Working for a Just Peace in Palestine and Israel," took place October 21-22 at the Montview Presbyterian Church.

According to its website and conference information, Sabeel is a Palestinian Christian peace and justice project based in the Holy Land. This conference was one of several that took place across the United States, and was organized by the Friends of Sabeel North America, an international branch of Sabeel. According to conference organizers, the Sabeel Conference was held to provide a peaceful and educational setting to discuss the conflict in Israel and the possible resolutions to that conflict. Through the presentations of educators, peace leaders, eyewitnesses, and many others, the conference brought to light the need for a peaceful resolution to the conflict in Israel.

Approximately seven members of the Regis community attended the conference including Dr. Jamie Roth, associate professor of sociology, Dr. John Kane, religious studies professor, and Dr. Byron Plumley, justice education coordinator.

The opening address featured three women from Jerusalem. The presentation, "Jerusalem Women Speak: Three Women, Three Faiths, One Shared Vision," introduced Amira Hillaal, a Christian Palestinian, Roni Hammerman, a Jewish Israeli, and Shrene Abdulhadi, a Muslim Palestinian. Each of the women spoke on the need to be accurately informed on the situation and spoke from their own personal experiences.

Hillaal encouraged the audience to be more aware and to speak out, "I am ending the silence because I am speaking," she said. Hammerman also focused on speaking against injustice, but she also spoke on the

problems within the systems of Israeli control, including the problems with check points. "Violence and humiliation create terrorism," she said, "and so check points are counter productive." Finally, Abdulhadi spoke on knowing the facts of the conflict in order to break the ignorance and the cycle of violence. "Our thinking needs to address the bridges that we build," she said. "We need to be educated and aware."

Workshops, videos, and other speakers and presentations followed the opening address. Small group workshops focused on issues such as the theories and practices of nonviolence, the concept of a morally responsible investment, media activism, human rights and international law, the U.S. Middle East foreign policy, effective lobbying, and many others. These educational and active discussions and presentations sought to instill in attendees a sense of duty to become aware and active.

Three of the six plenary sessions also included Jewish speakers Phyllis Bennis, a fellow at the Institute for Policy Studies in Washington, DC; Marc Ellis, director of the Center for American and Jewish Studies at Baylor University; and Jeff Halper, director of Israeli's Against Home Demolition.

Plumley said of the conference, "We just can't be silent. Silence is complicity—that's the challenge. Silence on any of these serious social issues is complicity and that we just can't tolerate."

Although Sabeel has been criticized for seemingly anti-Semitic views, Plumley and Kane did not hear anti-Semitism from the speakers. "The tone of the conference was not anti-Semitic in any way," Plumley commented. "Rather, it was opposed to Israeli policy and U.S. support for Israeli policy—a policy of destruction toward Palestinian people."

Current Challenges: Delivering Healthcare in the 21st Century

Justin Goldman
Opinion Editor



Although we live in a time when the United States is deeply divided politically, people from many viewpoints are in agreement when it comes to health care. They believe that the American system is not up to the task of delivering quality, affordable health care. There is, however, far less of a consensus on how to go about fixing it. The United States is starting to face a hard reality. To be successful in the 21st century the U.S. must transform its health care system to deliver adequate care that is affordable for all Americans.

One of the most frustrating aspects of our current health care system is the outcome we get for the amount we spend. According to Malcolm Gladwell of the New Yorker, "Americans spend \$5,267 per capita on health care every year, almost two and half times the industrialized world's median of \$2,193." If that number does not upset you, it should; despite spending significantly more than most of the world, Americans receive less in the way of results. Gladwell states that compared to other Western nations we, "go to the doctor less, get admitted to the hospital less frequently, we are less satisfied with our health care, and American life expectancy is lower." The World Health Organization (WHO) analysis of the world's health systems ranks the U.S. an abysmal 37th. According to WHO Director-General Dr Gro Harlem Brundtland, "the main message from this report is that the health and well-being of people around the world depend critically on the performance of the health systems that serve them."

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the United States population is now 297.5 million people. A study by the Economic Policy Institute found nearly 46 million Americans uninsured in 2004, an increase of 6 million since 2000. From a Catholic, Jesuit perspective—which centers on human dignity and social justice—these numbers, and the stories behind them, are shocking. As the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin of the Chicago Archdiocese put it "Health care is an essential safeguard of human life and dignity and there is an obligation for society to ensure that every person be able to realize this right."

The issue of the cost of record-keeping and billing is central to the problem. According to Gladwell, "The United States spends more than a thousand dollars per capita per year or close to four hundred billion dollars on health-care-related paperwork and administration, whereas Canada, for example, spends only about three hundred dollars per capita." Back in 1993, Newt Gingrich (R-GA) opposed the Clinton health care plan which sought to provide universal health care calling it "socialized medicine." However, when Speaker Gingrich first appeared publicly with Senator Hillary Clinton this past May, he said he now supports a key proposal of the Clinton Plan he fought, the creation of a single system for medical billing, to replace the inefficiencies of the current system.

Today, Speaker Gingrich also advocates for the need to modernize the health system with Senator Clinton. An area he focuses on is the use of information technology. According to Gingrich, "Disasters such as Hurricane Katrina and the potential spread of avian flu highlight a critical need for

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personal health records and other technology tools in health care."

In addition to the social costs of an inadequate health care system, economic competitiveness can suffer as well. Health care is part of the increasing cost of doing business in the United States. According the Winston-Salem Journal, Americans are struggling to meet a 73 percent jump in premium costs since 2000. A study released last month by the Kaiser Family Foundation reports that 60% of companies offered health care coverage to workers in 2005. The high cost of health care has been a tremendous strain on American companies. The auto industry is a key example.

According to Senator Max Baucus (D-MT), the ranking member on the Senate Finance Committee, it is becoming more and more difficult companies to compete with the burdens of health care costs. "For GM,

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health care costs amount to more than \$1,500 for every vehicle it produces. For Toyota, health care costs account for closer to \$500 for every vehicle it produces." This is because Japan has a national health insurance system.

Solutions being debated range from President Bush's emphasis on tort reform (restrictions on litigation) and health saving accounts (HSAs) to more sweeping changes, like the single-payer national health care bill that is currently sitting in Congress.

States such as California and Missouri have passed tort reform laws, capping the amount paid in medical malpractice cases to \$250,000. Still, there is not a unanimous agreement on the results. Doug Heller, Executive Director of the Foundation for

Taxpayer and Consumer Rights, says, "When it comes to saving money for doctors, caps do not work. They don't lower what doctors' pay and they certainly don't save the health care system a dime."

Signed into law in 2003, HSAs function like individual retirement accounts (IRAs) in that individual contributions are tax deductible and can follow workers who switch jobs. According to David Gratz, a Physician at the Manhattan Institute, "HSAs allow people to purchase relatively inexpensive high-deductible insurance and then deposit money into a tax-free account, from which smaller health expenses are paid." This solution is favored by free-market conservatives because it reduces the tax burdens and allows for individual choice.

The move from a privatized insurance system to a single-payer, national health care plan resembling systems already used Canada and other industrialized countries would have more far-reaching implications. In such a system, the government would help to finance health care, but would leave the delivery mainly in private hands, according to the Physicians for a National Health Program. They are joined in their advocacy by local organizations including Health Care for all Coloradans.

Throughout this academic year the challenge of United States health care will be the focus of the John J. Sullivan Endowed Chair for Free Enterprise here at Regis University. The mission of the Sullivan Chair is to create a public sphere where business, nonprofits, academics, students, and citizens can discuss and debate the theories and practices of free enterprise, government and public policy. They advocate for socially conscious business decisions and seek to represent points of view of under-served communities. The Sullivan Chair will raise an central issue for the Regis community and the Denver area. No one should doubt the importance of developing a healthcare system that can meet the demands of the 21st century.

Catholicism in the MODERN WORLD Catholic Studies Speaker Series Fall, 2005

"Salvation and *The Sopranos*: A Problem for Catholics?"

M. Cathleen Kaveny

Professor of Law and Theology, University of Notre Dame
Thursday, October 27 | 7:30 p.m. | Science Amphitheater

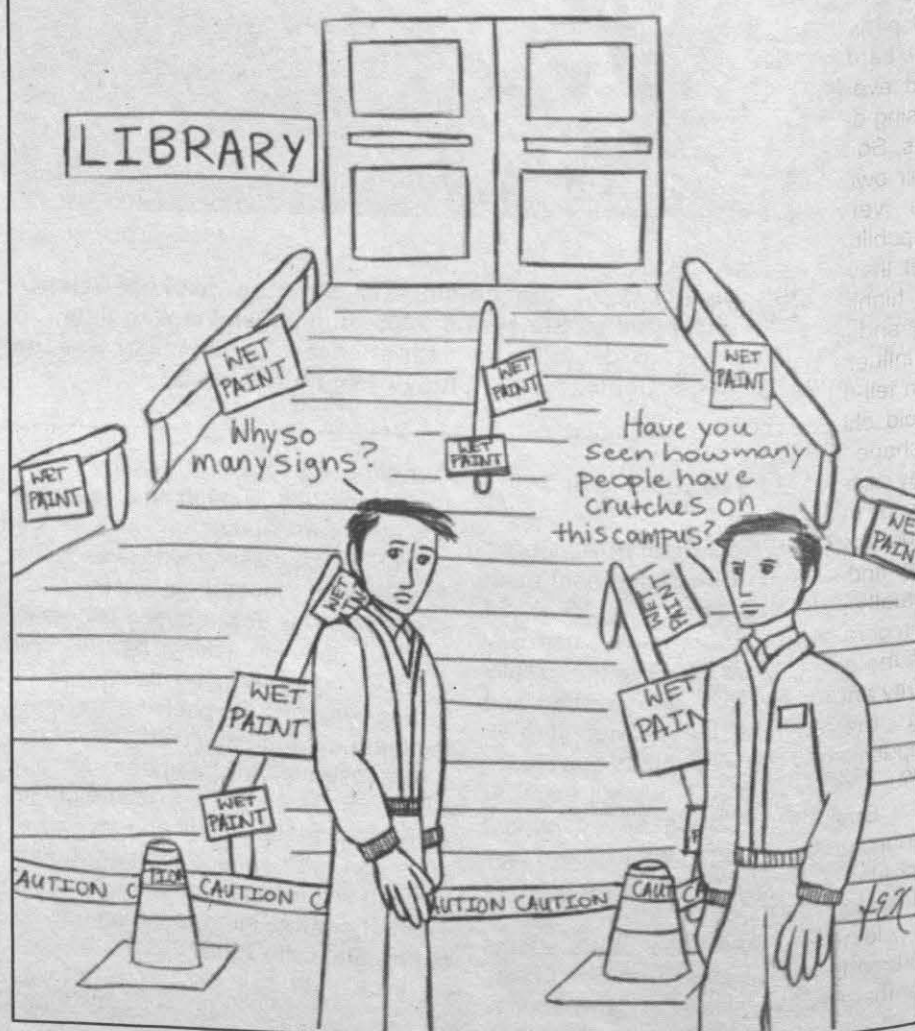


Professor M. Cathleen Kaveny, a scholar who focuses on the relationship of law and morality, joined the Notre Dame Law School faculty as an associate professor in 1995 and was named the John P. Murphy Foundation Professor of Law in 2001. She earned her A.B. summa cum laude from Princeton University in 1984, and holds four graduate degrees from Yale University including her M.A. (1986), M.Phil. (1990), J.D. (1990) and Ph.D. (1991). Professor Kaveny teaches contract law to first-year law students. She also teaches a number of seminars which explore the relationship between theology, philosophy, and law. She regularly teaches both undergraduate and graduate students in the Department of Theology.

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Der Kugelschreiber

By Jacqueline Kharouf



Involvement at SOA should not be considered protest

Adrian Manriquez
Contributing Columnist

The convergence at the gates of Ft. Benning to close the infamous School of the Americas has for years been called by many on campus a protest. I have always subtly gone along with this idea, thinking that there is no harm in semantics.

Everything, as it turns out. Conflating the term "protest" with what actually happens in Georgia is damaging. The rally to close the SOA, the vigil, the direct actions to this end, and the entire time spent by so many thousands in Columbus, Georgia this fall will not be a protest. Nothing about the advertising, nothing about the run-up to this event, is about protesting. I am making a protest here, by manifesting my opposition to the continual existence of this odious institution. My travel, and time, in Georgia will be so much more than that.

Yes, I dislike the SOA. I would shed no tears at its closure, and work tire-

lessly to that end. However, one needs only to look at the schedule of events (available at www.SOAW.org) to see that what is happening with the convergence of people of faith, of political conviction, and of good hearts is that we are creating community.

The week begins with a group known as the Puppetistas who create artwork, puppets, and banners for use later in the week. This is the first event, an expression of art and humanity.

This is followed up on Thursday by non-violence trainings, film showings, and speakers. Friday begins much the same with more non-violence trainings and meetings of people such as the Catholic Worker and Veterans for Peace. There is a film called "From Violence to Wholeness," peacemaker training, a teach-in related to Columbia, and a concert sponsored by SOA Watch.

Saturday includes a Ignatian family teach-in under the Ignatian Solidarity Network (IGN) in which Regis will par-

ticipate, a rally at the gates that includes speakers from Amy Ray to Amy Goodman, and even people like Fr. John Dear S.J. and Sister Helen Prejean. At the site of the rally, dozens of families will set up food and beverage stands. The Puppetistas will stage some street theatre, artists groups will sell art, political groups ranging from War Resisters League to the Coalition of Immokalee Workers will ask for signatures on petitions. They will also distribute information on how people on the street can contact their representatives, some people will dance, some will sing, some will take in silent prayer and reflection at the gates themselves.

That night, mass will be celebrated by thousands of Christians and people of other faith traditions in the large tent of the IGN. It is a mass entirely pulled together during the weekend, with a call for volunteers going out on Friday and Saturday night.

Sunday, tens of thousands will again be present at the gates of Ft. Benning, this time to hold a vigil for the murdered and the disappeared. Names of the missing and murdered are sung by several, while the rest march slowly in ghandian waves to the gates and place

their crosses. Some stop for a moment of reflection, some a little longer. A few will brave the now three fences between the civilian side and military side and offer themselves in a sort of Christian sacrifice, placing themselves on the altar of Ft. Benning awaiting and inviting what reprisal the government will mete out.

After all have placed their crosses, coffins, and staged their die-ins, the crowd will move into a festival of resistance and street theatre.

This is not a protest, this is community building. This is us changing the world by changing our minds. We celebrate life, we celebrate love, we celebrate resistance to the greater western macrocosm of power through the force of death and hate. We celebrate the power of the people, in the United States, in El Salvador, in every country where people of conscience believe in peace not war, love not hate, life not death.

Political activism cannot stop at changing just a few schools or laws. If it does, it has lost its focus. We are here because we know a better world is possible, and we are doing what we can to achieve it.

The Politics We Need: Balancing Public Goods and Private Interests

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David O'Brien spoke at Regis in 2003 as part of the Vatican II speaker series. This editorial was first published in Commonweal magazine, www.commonweal.com, October 14, 2005.

Across America candidates are lining up for the next round of House and Senate elections in 2006. Republicans are trying to maintain the momentum built up over years of civic action, but their party struggles with the costs of victory. There is no place to hide when you control all three branches of the federal government and much of the backdrop of lobbyists, experts, and media who shape public life. The country is, more or less, in Republican hands.

Democrats, the genuinely loyal opposition, would love to take advantage of Bush administration fumbles, but party leaders seem unsure about how hard they should hit the president, and even more uncertain about proposing detailed alternatives to his policies. So far, as Democrats gather with their own cadres of the very rich and the very smart, they hope the Republican coalition will unravel, and that they can help the process along by highlighting administration double talk and incompetence. But Democrats of influence—all of them as far as one can tell—do not even imagine that they could change the national agenda or reshape the political culture. Instead, they raise a lot of money, talk about the use of modern technology, and worry about the marketing problem—How can they find another Bill Clinton who can actually persuade people that the Democrats can do a better job achieving the shared goals of national prosperity and national security while making them forget about shallow Republican promises of "moral renewal"?

Smaller government, tax relief, strong defense, and family values: that's been the GOP's winning formula. Sticking to that message, Republicans win elections at every level. Appearing to depart from that agenda turned the Democrats into the minority party. In a

few places Democrats have been able to repackage the Republican message in more attractive dress. Still, they would not dare tell the people that we need stronger government, higher taxes, less military defense, and families who will replace their all-too-private values with values of public compassion and solidarity. Yet that is exactly what we need.

We need stronger and better government at every level to protect the ever more endangered public interest. Health, education, the environment, food and product safety, energy—all of these areas of public policy require better and smarter politicians and civil servants, held responsible for their commitment to the common good, not private interests. Last month's disaster in New Orleans reminds us of what we sometimes forget: how important it is to have honest, competent officials to care for our common interests, our schools, roads, and public safety at least. Americans may have grown cynical about politics and government, but the fact is that our common interests, national and international, are intimately tied to our most personal interests and dreams.

Better public finance is the number-one democratic need. A fair and effective system of taxation is needed to pay for public programs ...And it won't be cheap

Remember that government is the only instrument available to us to match the very real power wielded in all markets by corporations and the very rich. Only stronger government backed by informed and organized citizens can make democracy a possibility in a very undemocratic political economy. That is even truer when trade unions shrink and public-interest groups have their backs to the wall. Smaller government serves big interests, strong government and organized citizens give the rest of the people a chance. Remember FDR!

Hard as it is to say, we need less unilateral national power abroad, military and otherwise, if we are to share

responsibility for the security of an interdependent human family. If international organizations don't work well and networks of allies are frayed, we have to repair them. The unilateral pursuit of national security leads to military commitments and imperial overreach that will bankrupt our country, morally and financially. As one American internationalist said recently, superpowers can initiate many actions, but for those initiatives to succeed, we need friends. The truth is we cannot be both free and secure unless others feel secure. In the future, like it or not, national security must give way to common security. Only our addiction to weapons, including nuclear weapons, blinds us to the truth about our common global security, a truth evident to almost everyone else on earth. President George W. Bush delighted in charging that John Kerry was willing to share decisions about war and the fight against terrorism with others. John Kerry never said anything remotely like that—and it is a shame.

We will have to pay more and fairer taxes to get a healthy environment, public safety and security, better schools, affordable health care, housing and transportation, a secure old age, and many other goods that are far too expensive to be attained by most people through their own resources. The demand to privatize public responsibilities sounds good when it comes with promises of lower taxes, but it is a formula for massive inequality, irresponsibility, and unfairness. Government indebtedness, driven by low taxes, is being used to starve the public sector, right down to your neighborhood school.

Better public finance is the number-one democratic need. A fair and effective system of taxation is needed to pay for public programs of health care, energy provision and conservation, environmental and consumer protection, and to insure that free trade is also fair trade for everybody. A tax system that is fair and adequate to our needs in our local communities and in our world is absolutely essential. And, it won't be cheap. But privatizing schools, health care, safety, pensions, and all the rest are, for most of us, much more expensive, even beyond our reach. Strong government, adequately funded, is essential.

To get all this we need informed and committed citizens. The current debate

about family values is almost always cast in terms of forging a moral defense against the wider popular culture, with good reason. But the culture, like the economy and the government, is ours, not somebody else's. We say, though we don't always seem to believe it, that we get the government we deserve. The same can be said of the economy and the culture. If we want to participate with our neighbors in shaping a rich culture, a fair economy, and a responsible government, then we have to get to work. We have to organize, and make our voices heard, not with pabulum and platitudes, nor with a sugar-coated version of the Republican mantra, but with the hard-edged truths of what good citizens have to do in a complex, dangerous, and rapidly changing world. So we need to affirm family values, yes, but we must do so while elevating values like solidarity and social and political responsibility—good citizenship. We need good people, and families are where they come from. All of us as individuals must value the public good as well as our own goods, including the good as defined by our communities of faith. In the end the family values that matter most are the values of the human family, united now as never before.

Stronger government, higher taxes, common security, and responsible families: How's that for a campaign platform? Try to run on that platform! If you do, Democratic consultants will tell you, you will earn one title: Loser. Yet, after the meeting, one or two political professionals will admit that this platform is long on truthfulness even if it is short on market appeal. Dig below the surface a bit and we will find many people who recognize that there is such a thing as the public interest, that there is a common good that is local, national, and global. But the common good can only be made real if it is the goal of persons, families, organizations, and, yes, governments. If the cost of a politics that embodies the public interest—cost in time and talent as well as the treasure of citizens—were honestly set forth, would voters rally to that standard? The question tests our faith in democracy and our trust in one another. Yet in the end democracy requires that we act on that faith and trust. Democracy requires all of us to take responsibility for our history. Let's find a party that will help us do that.

A call to participate in the political process

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The signs are up. The advertisements on radio, TV, and via telephone have started. Election day is around the corner – does anyone care?

I often ask my students how many are registered to vote. How many have ordered absentee ballots? How many are taking time to be informed about the issues? Generally, fewer than half of those in a classroom are registered and of those only a few think about voting. Why?

The electorate in Colorado is poised to vote on Referendum C and D, two measures which address the core question of the purpose of government. How many taxes should we pay to provide roads, court systems, health care, to support the infrastructure of our community. If we don't provide for them collectively, how will those without resources receive those services? Will we pay for our own, if we can? Will those without money go without?

The system I know the most about is the judicial system. In Colorado, we do not have enough judges to meet the growing case load. Even though the legislature has authorized positions, because we don't have enough money to fund them, the positions are unfilled. Because of the shortage of judges, in some places, a civil trial takes 4 - 6 years to be decided.

Those who can afford it "rent-a-judge": agree on a person from the Colorado Judicial Group, a for-profit company who hires former judges to decide their cases. Others opt for arbitration, hiring a lawyer or other expert to hear the case. Others just don't have the opportunity to have their case heard in a timely fashion. They get caught in the old conundrum: justice delayed is justice denied.

Government serves one of two purposes. The first is to assure the safety of members of the community. Thus we fund courts, police, the military, fire-fighters, and people in government agencies who assure that our water is clean, our food doesn't have little mouse hairs in it, and that the pharmaceuticals we take are safe. The second is to make sure that the most vulnerable among us have the basic needs of life. Thus we fund health care for the impoverished, housing for the destitute, food for those who cannot provide for themselves, education so all can have an equal shot at the good things of life.

We as a community through participation in the political process decide how much we want to support the above goals collectively through taxes or individually through charity. Do we want professional fire-fighters or do we want volunteer forces? Do we want to provide health care for those who can't afford it or are we willing for them to die or live in great pain if they don't have enough resources.

Whatever your position, if you are not thoughtfully participating in the conversation, you have abdicated your responsibility as a citizen of this community. If we don't talk together, we will never find solutions for these complex problems. If we don't act in the small ways we can – voting and participating in the political process – then others will decide for us the most important question of all: how, then, shall we live in our community.



Photo by Chris Dieterich

Academic leaders unite to support Referenda C & D

Richard Celeste
President of Colorado College

Robert Coombe
Chancellor University of Denver

Michael Sheeran, S.J.
President of Regis University

At a time when economic and social forces dictate the tremendous importance of colleges and universities in our state, higher education in Colorado faces great peril. State support for institutions of higher education has eroded by about 20 percent since 2001. Compounding the problem, support for postsecondary students has declined as well, slamming the door to higher education on many Colorado citizens. Without the passage of Referenda C and D additional draconian cuts are almost inescapable. How much longer can public higher education continue in its present form? Not for long, under current conditions.

If voters defeat Referenda C and D, the state will be forced next year to cut an estimated additional \$408 million from its operating budget. Most of this budgetary axe will fall on public higher education. It already has been cut more than any other Colorado state program, and has seen the largest funding decrease among the nation's higher education systems over the past two years.

Should this trend continue, Colorado might well become the first state to lose its public higher education system altogether, while providing only very limited support for low-income students who wish to attend private institutions in our state.

As leaders of those institutions, Colorado College, Regis University and the University of Denver, we are naturally concerned about the negative impact on our own low-income students. But we are more concerned about the prospect of destroying the fine public higher education system with which we sometimes compete but often collaborate. If the public higher education sector withers, all of

Colorado will suffer mightily.

Colleges and universities are crucial elements of the fabric of any state. In Colorado and elsewhere, these institutions educate for the future, create new knowledge through research, partner with communities and businesses to solve problems, deepen culture and build citizenship. They are a magnet for both people and businesses. Never in our history has the value of higher education been greater, both for society and for the individual. As our society becomes more knowledge-based, most jobs will demand some amount of education beyond high school. Even more than they do today, employers will rely on an educated workforce and new discoveries to build business and to create next-generation services and products.

Furthermore, the demands on higher education are increasing. Enrollments are growing, as is the diversity of the student population, presenting new challenges. "Continuing education" has been replaced by a nearly universal need for continuous, lifelong learning opportunities.

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All Coloradans deserve access to a higher education that reflects their interests and meets their needs.

Were C and D to lose, our private institutions might be spared the most devastating impacts. But higher education, and consequently all of us as citizens of Colorado, would be the ultimate losers. That is why we favor Referenda C and D.

Frontier Denver survived and thrived because 19th century visionaries invested in a rail link to the Union Pacific near Cheyenne. For modern-day Colorado to endure and flourish, 21st century voters must invest in an educational link to our common future. Weigh the consequences of further reducing the funding for higher education in Colorado. And then vote Yes on Referenda C and D.

Focus on Ballot Initiatives: Referenda C & D

Investing in Colorado's Future

Referenda C & D: Crucial Decision for Colorado

Michael Uhrig
Contributing Columnist

Last week, I received a very annoying call, not from a credit card company, but from opponents of Referenda C & D. It was a brief call, with an automated voice speaking and urging me to vote against the aforementioned referenda. I was irritated not necessarily by the tactic employed in getting out their message, but by the message itself, which is full of scare tactics and misinformation.

For those of you that do not know, Colorado voters will go to the polls on November 1 to decide the fate of two Referenda, put on the ballot by the Colorado Legislature at the request of Governor Bill Owens. Referendum C would suspend a portion of the Taxpayers' Bill of Rights (TABOR) for five years. TABOR was passed by initiative in 1992, and basically involves a lot of provisions to prevent taxes and spending from increasing significantly. For example, it requires that the legislature get voter approval before raising taxes and, at issue in this election, it requires that any budget surplus the government attains in any fiscal year be returned to the taxpayers. Referendum C would suspend that rule, and allow the government to spend an estimated \$3.1-3.7 billion dollar surplus over the next five years.

Referendum D is a separate but closely related issue. It asks the taxpayers' permission to borrow \$2 billion to be used mostly for transportation projects, but also would help fund Fire & Police pen-

sions, K-12 public school buildings, and public college and university buildings. Referendum D is immediately discarded if Referendum C does not pass.

While in general the two have been linked together in the minds of most voters, it is very possible to support Referendum C while opposing D. This is a separate issue, what I am mostly concerned about here is C.

The opponents of Referendum C are parading around the state claiming this is a "Trojan horse" tax increase. Their basic argument is that the increase in spending over the next five years will naturally cause taxes to go up at the end of that five year period. My problem with this argument is that it sticks strictly to abstract political theory without examining the real world impacts.

Colorado ranks in the bottom ten states for funding K-12 and higher education in terms of income. Is this the message that we want to send, that stifling government spending at any cost is more important than the investment in quality education? Furthermore, Coloradoans can hardly complain about high government spending, according to the Nelson Rockefeller Institute of Government in 2002 Colorado ranked seventh lowest in per capita spending and lowest in terms of spending as a percentage of income.

There is another negative effect that this provision of TABOR has that most people do not consider. That is the fact that the spending limit for the state government each year is determined by the

amount of money actually collected and spent the previous year, and then is adjusted for inflation and population growth. The consequence is that when the state experiences a recession one fiscal year (as it did in 2001), the budget for the next year falls behind what it normally would be if there had been no recession. Since the law does not allow the government to "catch up" in years where it experiences a surplus, this creates a situation which guarantees that government spending on important programs (like education and transportation) will always increase too slowly to account for population growth and inflation.

So when you hear the opponents of C & D spouting out their propaganda about how this will cause government spending to spiral out of control, don't listen to it. This is simply meant to scare people in a state which is traditionally scared of big government. What I wish these people could realize is that somehow, you have to pay for government programs, money doesn't just fall from the sky. Even Governor Bill Owens, a staunch supporter of TABOR, supports these referenda, since he is able to see the negative effects that the recessions of previous years have had and continue to have on Colorado as a result of TABOR. Just for five years, Colorado needs to lift these restrictions to get itself back on track, and then we can start to talk about spending limits again. I hope you all will join me on November 1 in voting "YES" for Referendum C & D.

Understanding the issue

TABOR: "Taxpayer's Bill of Rights." In 1992, majority of CO voters passed a Constitutional provision that limits the amount of money the state may spend each year.

Problem: TABOR bases each year's allowed budget increase on the previous year's revenue limit or last year's actual revenue collections - whichever is lower. This results in a "ratchet-down effect"; possible budget increases are tied to recession period limits, even after recession ends and collected revenues go up.

Proposed Solutions:

Referendum C: if passed, allows state to spend money it collects above the limit on health care, public education, transportation projects, and local fire and police pensions.

Referendum D: will let the state borrow \$2.07 billion against the profit from referendum C to start projects on roads and schools.

Who Supports C & D?

Regis University's president Fr. Sheeran supports C and D. Other supporters include Republicans Governor Bill Owens and new University of Colorado Boulder President Hank Brown (ex. CO senator).

Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper

Over 1000 organizations have supported the referendums, including the Colorado Catholic Conference, and Archbishop Chaput, Bishop Hannifen, and Bishop Sheridan. (see www.catholiccharities.org).

Who Opposes?

The Referendums are opposed by Colorado Freedom Works and Independence Institute.

The Denver Post reports that secret out-of-state donors have funded opposition campaigns.

Additional information:

- Denver Post
www.denverpost.com/politics
- "Colorado Matters" on Colorado Public Radio
(Interview with Denver Post reporter Mark Couch)
www.cpr.org/cgi-bin/comatters/com_day.cgi
- Rocky Mountain News
Election 2005
www.rockymountainnews.com/drmn/election/

State Spending Limit and Refunds

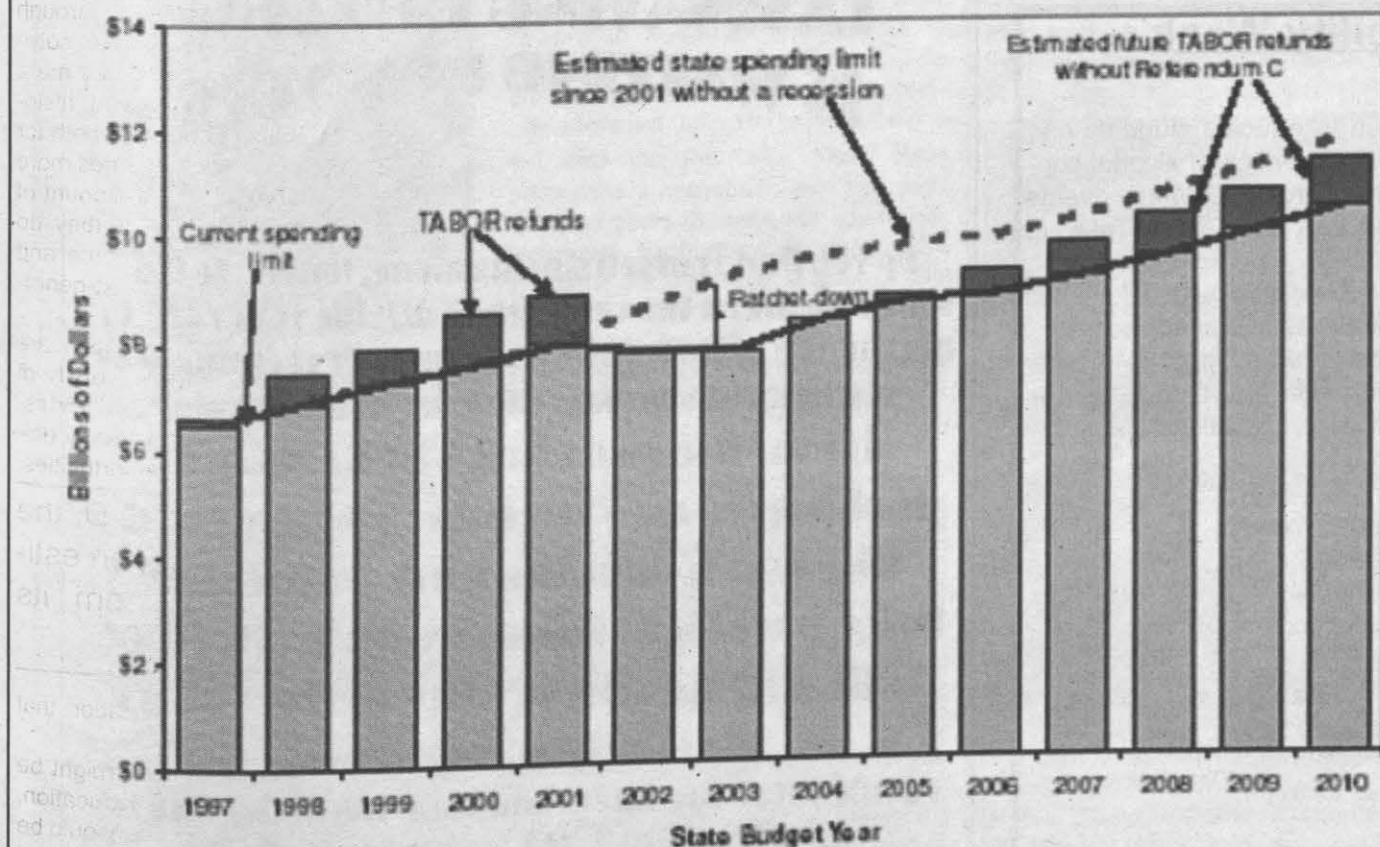


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TABOR bases each year's allowed budget increase on the previous year's revenue limit or last year's actual revenue collections - whichever is lower. Withholding refunds for the next five years is seen as a way to ameliorate the budgetary shortfalls. According to estimates stated in the State Ballot Information Booklet, the five year total that the average taxpayer would forgo is \$491.

Important Voting Information

Nearest Polling Place:

Berkeley Community Church
3701 W. 50th Ave.
Election Precinct 403

Early voting locations within four miles of Berkeley Church

Globeville Recreation Center
4496 Grant Street
Whittier Community Center 2900 Downing Street

Early Voting:

Opens Monday, October 17-22, and October 24-28

Hours: 10 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.

Vote early at Denver Election Commission Main Office
8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Mahon of the hour

Mike Mahon
Sports Columnist



Sunday night at U.S. Cellular Field in Chicago, baseball fans witnessed another magical moment in World Series history. It wasn't Bobby Thomson. It wasn't Kirk Gibson, Joe Carter, or Kirby Puckett. It was Scott Podsednik, a guy who didn't hit one over the fence the entire regular season. The homerun came against Houston Astros closer Brad Lidge, one of the best in the game. Podsednik became only the 13th player in the history of baseball to lift his team to victory with a World Series walk-off homerun. More importantly, he gave the White Sox a 2-0 lead in the series, and throughout history, 38 of the previous 49 teams (77.6 percent) that took a 2-0 lead in the series have gone on to win the championship. But that night, the Sox players could only think about their roles in one of the greatest World Series games of all time.

"Wow. I mean, wow, what a game. For Podsednik to hit a homerun off of Lidge, it's something that just doesn't happen," said White Sox catcher A.J. Pierzynski. According to Pierzynski, Podsednik called the homerun to him during batting practice earlier Sunday. "That's the first time all year he said it," said Pierzynski of Podsednik's called game-winner. "I laughed at him, and he did it to win the game. I'm still kind of in shock."

"Actually, he calls a lot of homeruns and they never come true," added first baseman Paul Konerko with a wry smile. "You just don't see balls off his bat that go over the fence a lot. But crazy things happen in the World Series. Everyone knows it."

Yes, everyone knows it-especially the Astros' closer. Lidge has now given up two walk-off blasts during the past week, the first from prolific St. Louis slugger Albert Pujols in game 5 of the

NLCS last Monday night. That time it meant the Astros would not clinch the NL pennant at home. This time it meant a 7-6 White Sox victory and a 2-0 lead in the World Series.

"You don't expect him to do that, he's not a homerun guy during the regular season," Lidge said. "Give him credit. I didn't want to fall behind, 3-1, so I threw him a fastball and he got it. Give a lot of credit to him. It [stinks], but what are you going to do?"

But, Lidge will not change his approach or get down about the situation.

"You go through stretches where you don't do great. It's magnified obviously because of where we are, but it's really not difficult to move on from, because these things happen. It's happened before in my career. It's too bad it's happening now," Lidge said. "It just seemed to be a good night for the hitters tonight."

Heading back to Houston, the Astros are down but not out. They need to make something happen fast, or else the American League will triumph for the second year in a row. But with their track record, there's no reason to count the Astros out yet. The Astros have been down 0-2 in a big series before -- remember the NLCS last year? They won all three games in Minute Maid Park to take a 3-2 edge in that one, though they did wind up succumbing to the Cardinals eventually. But, that was then. Tuesday night, they'll have the seemingly superhuman Roy Oswalt on the mound versus Chicago's John Garland. Although Garland is one of the great young pitchers in the game, I give the edge to Oswalt and the Astros. Oswalt is MLB's only back-to-back season 20-game-winner and a fierce competitor who thrives on pressure situations and loves pitching at home. Without a victory on Tuesday night, the Astros are done for the year.

Player quotations from www.mlb.com

Rangers face rival Metro

Erica Easter
Contributing Reporter

As the women's soccer season closes, the team's success and fervor for the game continues to impress many. With an overall record of 14-3-0, the women are ranked number 12 in the nation.

Tomorrow at 3:30 p.m., the women will challenge Metropolitan State College on Regis' territory. This game will be the second time this season that the two teams will meet head to head. For the past four years, Metro

field. They have a spirit for each other, and they believe in each other. They are a family."

Because this game is important for the morale and ranking of the team, it is important to get fan support. "It is awesome to have student support because they truly bring energy to the game. I want everyone to come out [for the game]. I want to play to our potential and take the win," says team captain, Lilia Utu.

In any sport it is 'game on' and you really want to beat the cross-town rival.

Belzer also agrees that fan support is "a huge advantage and source for mental strength." He urges fans to come support the team because

"home field advantage is always a plus."

Another advantage to coming to the game is the free hot dog and chips cookout at both the men and women's games. Utu adds, "We are fun to watch. It is going to be fun to come." Both Belzer and his players agree that the fan support will be fantastic because this could mark the day that the women hail victory against Metro State, their long-standing, cross-town rival.

Games of the week

Regis Soccer vs. Metro State

Wednesday, October 26

Men @ 1:00 p.m.
Women @ 3:30 p.m.

Alcohol Responsibility Week

Alcohol Responsibility Week is designed to educate students and make them more aware of the possible consequences of alcohol consumption. CHOICES Peer Educators will be coordinating many events throughout the week, such as the Drinking Lab and Spiked Trike, to demonstrate the effects of alcohol.

The Drinking Lab allows students to observe how much alcohol it takes to get their peers intoxicated (the small amount will surprise many).

Spiked Trike involves use of the Fatal Vision Goggles ("Beer Goggles"). Students must ride a tricycle through an obstacle course with the goggles on. This activity demonstrates the effects of alcohol on coordination and vision.

Upcoming Events during this Week:

Tuesday, October 25, 2005:
MADD Victim Impact Panel
7:30-9 p.m. Ranger Grille

Thursday, October 27, 2005:
Drinking Lab
11 a.m. -1 p.m. Quad (weather permitting)
Student Lounge (alternative location)

Friday, October 28, 2005:
Bake Sale
11-2 p.m. Student Center

Monday, October 31, 2005:
Spiked Trike
11-2 p.m. Quad

A FASINATING RHYTHM IS WAITING FOR YOU!

Do you find yourself singing along, loudly, to the song playing on the radio while driving your car? Or maybe you accidentally wake up your roommate as you belt out your favorite tune in the shower?

If yes, the two choirs at Regis are looking for new members who would like you to join the fun! Gathering twice a week at Berkeley Church, off of 50th and Meade, it's the perfect class to release some stress.

Faculty/Staff members and students make sure to check FAM 202 & 402 for next semester's registration and sign up or contact Barb Wollan or call the music department at x3576 for more information about joining.

Whether it's Bluegrass, Jazz, Pop, or Classical, you're sure to fit right in with Regis Choirs

Ranger Recap

Ryan Caulfield
Sports Editor

Men's Soccer

On Sunday, October 23, the men's soccer team downed CU-Colorado Springs, 2-1. After a scoreless first half, CU-Colorado Springs took a 1-0 lead with a goal by Jeff Moore at 61:08. The Rangers would battle

Rangers got on the board first with a goal by senior midfielder Guillermo Mazier at 23:07. CSU-Pueblo would tie the game with a goal by Yusuke Ota at 31:08. The Rangers regained the lead with a goal by senior forward



Photo by Graham Hunt

Senior Jonathan Ramirez leads the Rangers' attack against CSU-Pueblo.

back to tie the game with a goal by senior forward Cody Berg at 74:37. Then sophomore Lucas Grein scored the game winning goal for the Rangers at 84:04.

On Friday, October 21, the Rangers defeated CSU-Pueblo, 3-1. The

Cody Berg at 34:42. The Rangers would put the game away with a late second half goal by freshmen forward Josh Davids. The Rangers will host Metro State on Wednesday, October 26, at 1 p.m.

Women's Soccer

On Sunday, October 23, the women's soccer team was defeated by Fort Lewis College, 2-1 in overtime.

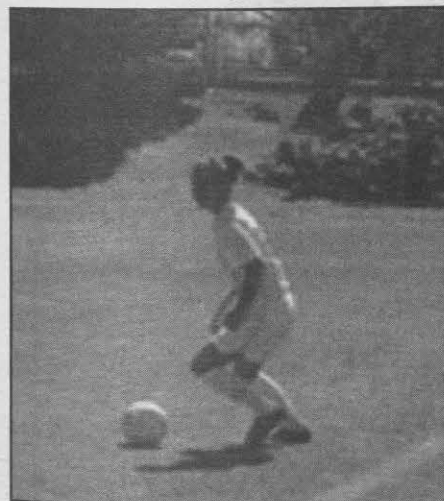


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Chelsea Riechard controls the ball while looking to pass to a teammate.

The Rangers scored first with a goal by senior forward Kate Murphy just six minutes into the game. Fort Lewis

College then tied the game with a late first half goal by Becky Gilmore. The game would go scoreless until Rangers' defenders accidentally knocked the ball into their own goal in the second half of overtime.

On Friday, October 21, the Rangers defeated Mesa State, 5-3. Mesa State would take an early lead with a goal by Lauren Sell at 6:28. The Rangers came roaring back with three consecutive goals by senior forward Kate Murphy in less than ten minutes to give the Rangers the lead. The Rangers got another goal by sophomore forward Julie Rodgers to take a 4-1 lead into the half. Mesa State attempted a comeback with two second half goals to make the score 4-3. However, sophomore forward Julie Rodgers got her second goal of the game late in the second half to secure the victory for the Rangers. The Rangers will next host Metro State on Wednesday, October 26 at 4 p.m.

Ryan's weekly picks

Ryan Caulfield
Sports Editor

In this section, I, Ryan will use my omniscience in the field of sports to pick the winners of everyweek. This week my picks will focus on

Lock of the Week

Cincinnati Bengals 35
Green Bay Packers 14

The Bengals quarterback Carson Palmer should find it easy to score against an awful Green Bay defense. The Packers are having a horrible season and it doesn't look like it's

going to get any better soon. Not only did they lose to a horrific Vikings team last week, but they also lost starting running back Ahman Green for the season.

Joke of the Week

Cleveland Browns 14
Houston Texans 3

The Browns and Texans are two of the worst teams in the league. The Browns; however, are somewhat competitive under new coach Romeo Crennel who will not want to lose this game. The Texan, lucky to finish this season alive, have not won a game this year and having a difficult time blocking quarterback David Carr.

Women's Volleyball

It was Senior Night for the Women's Volleyball team as they played Metro State Saturday night. Before and after the game, Regis University and fans honored seniors Laura Bisio, LaVanda Mireles and Jenny Kaiser.

However, the seniors were unable to earn a victory in their last home game. Metro State won the match in three games (31-29, 30-19, and 30-27).

The Roadrunners were led by Megan Wittenburg and Julie Green who each had 10 kills. The Rangers got 10 kills from both senior Jenny Kaiser and freshmen Kayla Betts in the loss.

On Friday, October 21, the Rangers defeated Colorado Christian University in three games (30-19, 30-28, and 30-27). The Rangers were lead by senior LaVanda Mireless who had a team high 11 kills and junior Rachel Ross who had 10 kills. Also, senior Jenny Kaiser had five total blocks in the victory. The Rangers will next play at Colorado School of Mines on Tuesday, October 25 at 7 p.m.

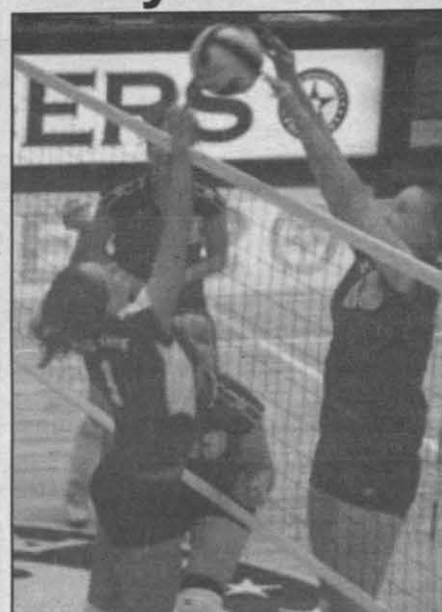


Photo by Graham Hunt

Kayla Betts attempts to block the ball against Metro State. The Rangers fell to Metro State in three games (31-29, 30-19, and 30-27) last Saturday evening.

Cross Country

The women's cross country team finished 11th out of twelve teams at the RMAC Cross Country Championships. Sophomore Anna Hacker who was named female RMAC Runner of the Week on October 18th, lead the Rangers with a 39th place finish. Also, senior Allison Hingten placed 58th and sophomore Stephanie Paine finished in 70th place.

On Saturday, October 22, the men's cross country team finished 10th out of 11 teams at the RMAC Cross Country Championships. The Rangers were lead by junior Jesse Hunter who was named male RMAC Runner of the Week on October 18 with a 43rd place finish. Also, freshmen Mathew Mach finished 51st and freshmen Tim Feulner finished in 56th place.

Player Spotlight



Courtesy of Regis Athletics

Regis University's Diana Lopez has been selected as 2005-06 Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Women's Basketball Pre-season Player of the Year announced by RMAC on October 18. The junior guard has also been selected as the 2005-06 RMAC Pre-season Defensive Player of the Year and named to the 2005-06 Pre-season All RMAC Team.

Regis University's annual literary magazine, *Reflections*, is looking for editors for the 2006 edition.

If you would like to be considered for this position, please submit a letter of interest to Dr. David Hicks, c/o Bridget Biller, Loyola.

Please be sure and include contact information.

Welcome to Accounting Town

Luke Stolz
Contributing
Columnist



I would like to start this article out with an apology. The reason that I am saying sorry is that I feel like I have let you, the accounting fan, down. By not contributing my column the last couple of weeks, I regret that I have possibly left a void in people's lives: a void that can only be satisfied by the sweet sensation that is accounting. I hope that with this column I can supply another sickly sweet dose of accounting which you all so desperately need.

After taking all of the classes and graduating with an accounting degree, what do you do? When somebody asks you this question, simply laugh in their face and say, "Anything I want." In fact, having an accounting degree coming out of college is the second best degree to have, the first being nursing. Accounting majors can do whatever their hearts desire. Well, maybe not anything because accounting majors cannot be fighter pilots or professional bass anglers. Not yet at least. However, accountants can do many different things. There is tax, auditing, assurance, consulting, and much, much more. I know that these all sound fun and glamorous, but we also do work that an adoring, star-struck public doesn't appreciate.

Not only are there many different things that accountants can do, but they are highly sought after as well. The reason is that everybody needs accountants. Everybody from the Cincinnati Bengals to your weird cousin Sheldon. You see future accountants of America: all people need accountants to do their various jobs.

Every working person in the country has to file taxes but most people do not know how to do them. This is our time to shine. You see when people need their taxes done, they come to us and then we can charge them whatever we want. Take that non-accounting jerks.

Tax is not the only thing we do, as I mentioned earlier. People need us for everything. In fact, it is well documented that accountants run the world from an underground lab deep below the earth's crust. Seriously, accountants run this joint. In fact, if it were not for accountants, this world would be in shambles. I believe this to be true with every ounce of my being. Go ahead and try to deny it.

Eventually, you will realize the error of your ways and reach a point that I call "accounting bliss." When you reach this nirvana-like state of clarity, you will finally see the true glory of the basic accounting equation and realize that, not so long ago, you shouldn't have punched that nerdy looking accountant in the back of the neck.

By writing this article I believe that I have fulfilled my duty to accountants everywhere. Hopefully you have learned something and you will see what a magnificent profession accounting is. However, if you do not yet understand, just know that accountants are always keeping track of you, watching, and furiously calculating the insignificance of your non-accounting asses.

Riverside cemetery tour hosted by former Regis professor

Jami Bonifas
Staff Reporter

In the spirit of Halloween, Regis students, faculty, and community members had the opportunity to tour historic Riverside Cemetery this past Sunday afternoon, October 23. Riverside Cemetery is one of the oldest cemeteries in the state and marks the final resting place for many influential Colorado pioneers. The cemetery dates back to 1876 with about 100,000 people currently buried there.

The tour was organized by the Regis Employee Activities Committee, and Dennis Gallagher, Auditor for the City and County of Denver and former Regis professor of 37 years, was the knowledgeable and humorous tour guide. He led approximately 50 participants on a historical journey around the cemetery, which also happens to be one of his favorite spots. Gallagher feels that the tour is "a great way to teach history and really bring it alive...no pun intended." Located just off of Interstate 70 and Brighton Boulevard, part of the cemetery lies in Denver County, while the rest is officially in Adams County. In the future, Gallagher would like to see the entire cemetery belong to Denver and be maintained as a park space.

Several Colorado governors are buried in the cemetery, including Alexander Cameron Hunt, governor from 1867 to 1869. Another important Colorado figure who lies in the cemetery is Owen Goldrick, who formed the first public school in Denver on 14th

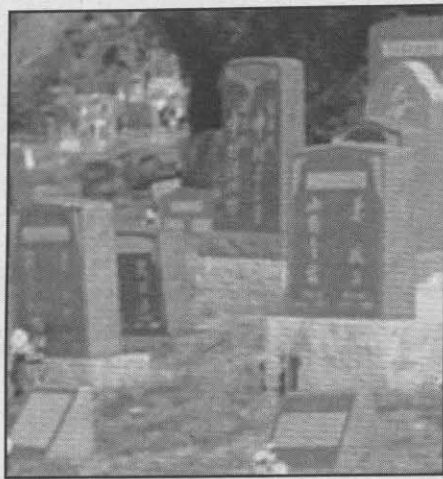


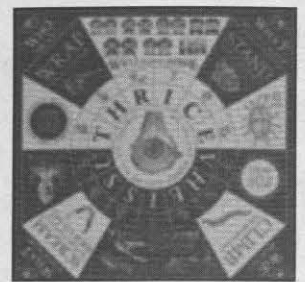
Photo by Jami Bonifas

Denver's historic Riverside cemetery features several Japanese gravestones, each facing eastward toward the homeland.

and Blake Street, as well as the first Sunday school in Denver. Goldrick, an Irish immigrant, rode West to Denver on a wagon pulled by two oxen, and famously continued to ride through the streets of Denver on his wagon to pick up children for school.

Within the cemetery, many distinct sections have an identity of their own. In a Russian Orthodox section, pictures of the deceased can be found on the gravestones. A section for Civil War Veterans marks many who fought for the Confederacy. There is also a well-kept Japanese area where all the gravestones face east toward the homeland, as well as a special space solely for German War Veterans.

KRCX Album Spotlight



"Vheissu" by Thrice

Kevin O'Brien
Music Director

Not once, not twice, but Thrice has released their first album since 2003's *The Artist in the Ambulance*. On their latest release, *Vheissu*, Thrice has brought diversity to a once stagnant hardcore scene. The first track, *Image of the Invisible*, punches with the kind of fervor that Thrice fans are accustomed to. Complete with powerful vocals that scream with pain and piercing guitar riffs, on first listen *Vheissu* sounds like the Thrice of old. The rest of the album, however, is a drastic change from previous work. From the second track, *Between The End And Where We Lie*, to the last, *Red Sky*, *Vheissu* is filled with eerie music box piano notes and ambient electronic drumbeats. *Vheissu* is a musical tour de force that will clearly separate Thrice as not only the heroes of hardcore, but as the leading force in mainstream rock. You can hear every track off *Vheissu* all week long on KRCX 93.9FM, online at www.krcx.tk, or on cable channel 14.

What's Bugging Tammy?

Tamara Hackfort
Staff Columnist



Well hello again, I know you missed me. No excuses to be given for the absence, so don't hold your breath, but here we go again.

I know that you saw the column and got impossibly excited and asked yourself, "What could possibly be bugging Tammy this week?" Well, let me tell you. This week *the* one issue that is bugging me more than any other issue is big chewers. No, not people who dip or spit (which also has potential to bug me), I'm talking about those people who chew/chomp their food with such vigor that my jaw has sympathy pains.

Big chewing itself probably doesn't bother me all that much but everything that goes along with it sure does. First of all, big chewing is just so inefficient. All that exaggerated up and down motion is just so exhausting. And all that forced effort inevitably leads to lax lips so now we have open mouthed big chewers. Open mouthed big chewers with tons of extra saliva just slapping around in their mouth from all that unnecessary chewing. Slurp!

Second, I am incredibly distracted by smackers. This goes beyond just sucking that saliva back into your orifice and crosses into justifiable gagging territory. Food can sizzle and food can crunch but food should never NEVER sound like a suction cup choir. Smacking is, in a word, repulsive.

Gross. Okay, two words: repulsive and gross.

Anyways, all that being said, I have empathy for you mal-food-ingesting-process sufferers. I sometimes get neurotically obsessed that I too may suffer from this socially debilitating disorder. Some food just opens the door to poor eating habits. Like the cut fruit in the cafeteria. The size is killing me. I mean, is it one bite? Two? And, if I take two bites when it should have been one, isn't that just as inefficient and excessive as over-chewing. And, if I make it one bite, will it be necessary for me to over-chew?

Matt Zavala, this is what keeps me up at night. Until next week...chew on!



Photos by Kathy Korsmo

Rockin' out for relief: Residence Life hosts a Hurricane Katrina and Rita benefit concert on Tuesday, October 11. Senior Frank Haug and CU-Boulder student Brian Cone of the Big Frizzle (left photo) and Junior Ruben Martinez (right photo) performed to raise proceeds for hurricane victims.

Denver art museum expansion nears completion

Lauren Wojtko
Contributing Reporter

New York City and Denver are soon to have something in common. In 2006, the construction on the Frederic C. Hamilton Building will be completed. This expansion on the Denver Art Museum was designed by Daniel Libeskind, the same architect chosen to design the World Trade Center memorial site in New York.

Chip Coronel, art history professor at the University of Northern Colorado, brings his students on tours of the museum because, "[It is] so dynamic what's happening to Denver...It's a big deal to have a Libeskind edition." In addition to the new architecture, Coronel said, "The Pre-Columbian and Native American exhibits are internationally known. [They are the] finest in the states, if not in the world."

A new attraction surrounding the edition is currently drawing many visitors. The first floor has just opened a new wing. The new section details how the new building was made. Visitors can look at blue prints, see the interior of walls, and examine steel, titanium, and concrete. There are also videos, interactive areas, and computers providing information and entertainment.

Until the extension's completion, visitors to the museum can visit all the regular floors with the exception of the

second. Builders are attaching a 100-foot long enclosed bridge that will connect the two buildings on the second floor.

The third floor greets guests by way of a giant "Potlatch Figure" from the 1890s. This carving represents a host calling its guests. The fourth floor holds a huge engraving of limestone which was originally stolen from its home. Likewise, the fifth floor houses a massive "Guardian Lion," and the sixth boasts a towering "American Bald Eagle."

While each floor is home to these staples of the Denver Art Museum, there are also numerous exhibits which will not be around much longer. To see the first floor's display on building the new Hamilton building, marvel at original Navajo blankets and textiles, or stand on a Japanese interpretation of "Floating Time," guests must get there before the exhibits close.

"It's so cool!" said Coronel. "In some museums the building is not important. [Here] we have both art and an art museum." Lewis Sharp, director of the Denver Art Museum says the new Hamilton building will be, "an explosion of glass and titanium...an internationally significant work of architecture as well as a signature landmark for the city of Denver."

See www.denverartmuseum.org for more information.



Frederic C. Hamilton Building

Photo by Miller Hare

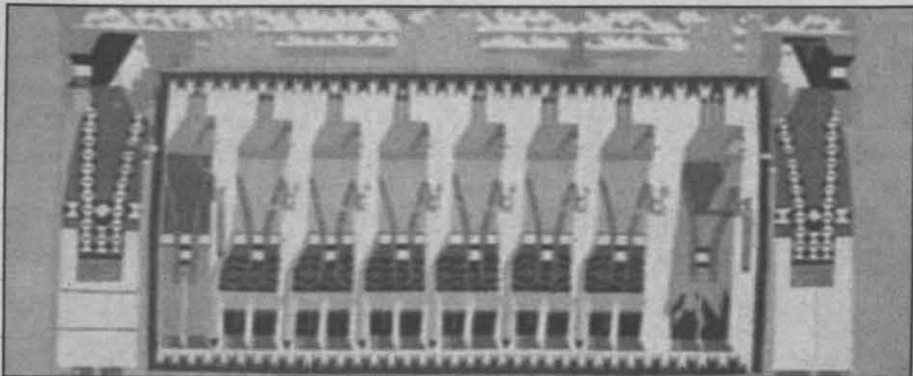


Photo Courtesy of Denver Art Museum

Blanket Statements Exhibition

Exhibits-set to close December 31

Blanket Statements
Navajo Textiles

Floating Time
Japanese electronic environment

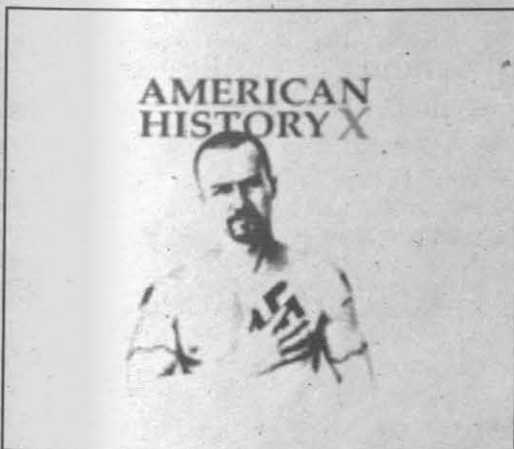
Heaven and Home
Chinese Art of the Han dynasty

New Classics
Contemporary American Indian paintings

Cheyenne Visions II
Cheyenne oversized photographs

Set to Close June 30, 2006
Building Outside the Box
Creating the New Denver Art Museum

The Red Carpet Reeling It Back In



American History X

1998

Directed by: Tony Kaye

Rated **R** for graphic brutal violence, pervasive language, strong sexuality and nudity
119 minutes

Featuring: Edward Norton, Edward Furlong

Every week the Highlander staff votes on three movies from our recent but much forgotten past. This week, *American History X* beat out *Training Day* and *The Shawshank Redemption* for the top spot. Edward Norton gives an impassioned performance as Derek Vinyard, a Southern Californian skinhead who must do time after committing a hateful murder. Once in jail, his mind opens and he sees the error of his ways. Upon reentering the real world, he must now turn his attentions to his younger brother Danny, who is swiftly heading down the same path as his brother. Controversy surrounded the film when director Tony Kaye disowned it, claiming that Norton had the film re-edited without Kaye's permission. Norton still got an Oscar Nomination for his intense performance.

(Courtesy of Yahoo Movies)

Movie Quote of the Week:

Last Week's Movie:
When Harry Met Sally (1989)

**Name This Week's
Movie:**

"You're gonna need a bigger boat"

Top Five at the Box Office

1. Doom (\$15.4 million)
2. Dreamer: Inspired by a true story (\$ 9.3 million)
3. Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Ware Rabbit (\$ 8.7 million)
4. The Fog (\$ 7.3 million)
5. North Country (\$ 6.5 mill.)



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Campus Events

Tuesday, October 25	Women's Bible Study / OC 231	4:00 pm
	SPEAK / West Hall conference	4:30 pm
	SOA: Let Your Voice Be Heard / Fac	6:30 pm
	MADD / Ranger Grill	7:30 pm
Wednesday, October 26	Women's Studies open house / Fac	4:30 pm
	Guest Artist Series / Berkeley Church	7:30 pm
	Thrills: Haunted House	6:30 pm
Thursday, October 27	Choices Drinking Lab / Quad	11:00 am
	Spanish Table / Ranger Grill	12:00 pm
	Leading with Intent / Regis Room	6:00 pm
	Salvation & The Sopranos / Sci Amp	7:30 pm
Friday, October 28	Racial Sobriety / Main Hall 333	7:00 pm
	Halloween Party / Faculty Lounge	7:00 pm
	RHA Movie Night / DeSmet Lounge	9:30 pm
Saturday, October 29	Racial Sobriety / Dining Hall	8:30 am

Around Town

ARTS & CULTURE

October 24-27	March of the Penguins / Starz Film Ctr	
October 25	Hitchcock: The Birds / Starz Film Ctr	7:00 pm
October 25-Nov 5	A Flea in Her Ear / Stage Theatre	
	All My Sons / Space Theatre	
October 25-Nov 6	My Way / Gardner Galleria Theatre	
October 25-Dec 17	September Shoes / Ricketson Theatre	
October 25-Jan 8	Truss Thrust exhibit / Mus. of Contemp. Art	
November 2-Dec 4	Phantom of the Opera / Buell Theatre	

CONCERTS

October 26	Blues Traveler / Fox Theatre	7:00 pm
	Iron & Wine / Fillmore Auditorium	7:30 pm
	Gwen Stefani / Magness Arena	7:30 pm
October 31	David Gray / Colorado Convention Ctr	7:30 pm
November 1	Rob Thomas / Colo. Convention Ctr	8:00 pm
	Paul McCartney / Pepsi Center	8:00 pm

PROFESSIONAL SPORTS

October 25	Edmonton at Avalanche / Pepsi Ctr	7:30 pm
October 26	Milwaukee at Nuggets / Pepsi Center	7:00 pm
October 27	Vancouver at Avalanche / Pepsi Ctr	7:00 pm
October 28	Vancouver at Avalanche / Pepsi Ctr	8:00 pm
October 30	Philadelphia at Broncos / Invesco Field	2:15 pm

Ranger Athletics

WOMEN'S SOCCER

October 26	Metropolitan State College	3:30 pm
October 28	Colorado Christian University	3:30 pm
October 30	Colorado State University - Pueblo	1:00 pm

MEN'S SOCCER

October 26	Metropolitan State College	1:00 pm
October 28	at Fort Lewis University	3:00 pm
November 4-6	at RMAC Tournament	TBA

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

October 25	at Colorado School of Mines	7:00 pm
October 29	at Chadron State	5:00 pm

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

October 29	University of Colorado	2:00 pm
	Team 180	3:30 pm
November 6	Colorado State University	11:00 am
	Colorado State University (JV)	1:00 pm

MEN'S CLUB RUGBY

October 30	Division II Playoffs	TBA
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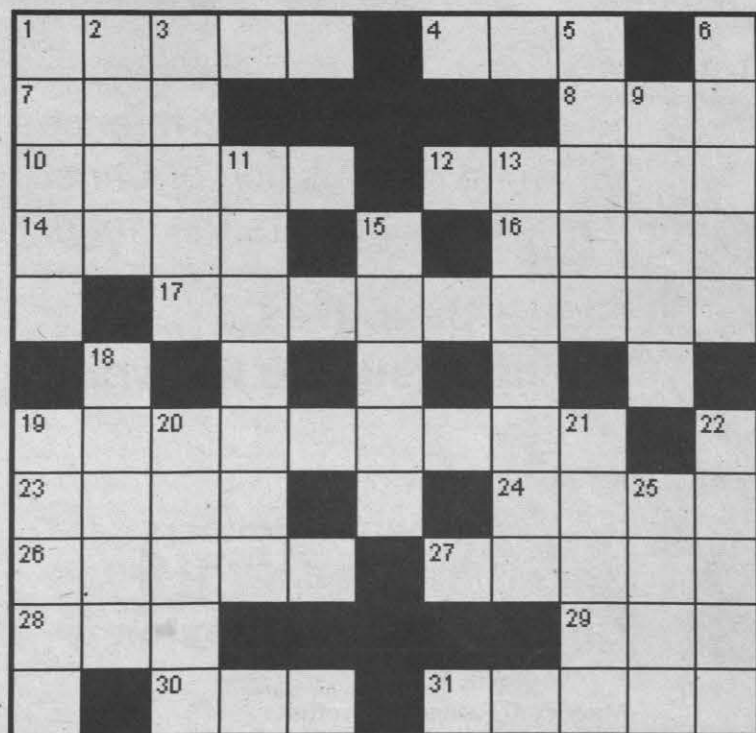
The Highlander and Lambda Pi Eta Present:

"All the Presidents Men" film screening

- Thursday, November 3 -

Check www.RegisHighlander.com/vcalendar for time & location

Weekly Word Whomp



Across

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| 1. Leash | 19. Devout |
| 4. Besides | 23. Not closed |
| 7. Dove sound | 24. Ark builder |
| 8. Large flightless bird | 26. Number game of chance |
| 10. Fragrance | 27. Worship |
| 12. Student | 28. Eccentric |
| 14. Memorandum | 29. Sailor |
| 16. Not one | 30. Ocean |
| 17. Child | 31. Perhaps |

Down

1. Rascal
2. Ripped
3. Spacious
5. Storage center
6. Sovereign
9. Floating bombs
11. Berth
13. Defective
15. Unsuitable
18. Lukewarm
19. Automaton
20. Makes a loan
21. Covered with soot
22. At that place
25. Bedouin

Answers to last issue's Weekly Word Whomp

